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Tularosa Basin Field Trip Announcement Saturday, October 28, 2006 6:30 AM – approximately 6:30 PM

The U.S. Army - Fort Bliss Garrison Command announces a Familiarization Field Trip to McGregor Range to be held on Saturday, Oct. 28. The purpose of the field trip is to familiarize the public with areas of the Tularosa Basin on McGregor Range that will undergo land use changes described and analyzed in the recently released Fort Bliss Mission and Master Plan Draft Supplemental Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement. These land use changes are in response to Fort Bliss' intent to more fully realize the installation's capability and flexibility to support Army training and testing requirements, both current and future. The Draft SPEIS can be viewed at https://www.bliss.army.mil/.

This will be a rigorous field trip of approximately 12 hours involving broken terrain, potential inclement weather and/or extremes in temperature, and a general lack of sanitary facilities. Participants are required to supply their own food and beverages. All persons must ride in Government-furnished vehicles. Prior to the start of the trip each participant will be required to sign a hold harmless agreement.

Anyone interested in participating must make a reservation by RSVPing to Walter Christensen, DOE NEPA Planner, at (915) 568-5396 or walter.j.christensen@bliss.army.mil (email preferred) by noon on Wednesday, 25 Oct. Your reservation should include the names of people in your party and a telephone number at which you can be contacted.

Participants will meet at 6:30 a.m. at McGregor Range Camp in the parking lot of Building 9464, the Tumbleweed Service Club. To get to McGregor Base Camp, take Highway 54 to the Otero County Prison at the Highway 54 and Hueco Camp Road intersection. Turn east onto the McGregor Base Camp Road. Proceed about six miles and building 9464 will be encountered on the north side of the road. Please see strip map on the back of this announcement.

